

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

NEWSY LETTERS FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

Items of Interest From all Parts of Sumter and Adjoining Counties.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Mail your letters so that they will reach this office not later than Tuesday morning. When the letters are received Wednesday it is almost an impossibility to have them appear in the paper issued that day.

TURBEVILLE.

Turbeville, June 20.—This little village has three mercantile establishments, one of which was organized in December, and another will soon be opened. This place is surrounded by a beautiful farming country and I must say that our farmers know how to cultivate the crops.

We have a site for a beautiful little town and our only inconvenience is that we are about one and a quarter miles from the depot, the nearest being on the Alcolu railroad.

We are charmed and well pleased to hear of the talk of a railroad running from Sumter, S. C., to this place or through here. We certainly think it will be a wise thing for the business men of Sumter to take hold of the matter and get a railroad to this point. We feel assured that it will be a step never to be regretted by them, but they will only want to blame themselves for having not come in closer touch with this prosperous people before now. We have a good graded school of over one hundred pupils enrolled every session. We have a Methodist Church that is a credit to a place of this size and in fact we have a good opening here for people who want to do well.

Crops are looking fine taking in consideration the heavy rains for the last week. Tobacco has been injured more than any other crop but the markets of some place will get a pull at a great amount of this kind of crop yet, and of course this land produces the quality.

We have a Knights of Pythias and Woodmen of the World order here, both of which are doing well.

Messrs. D. E. Turbeville and R. F. Morris are home from Wofford College where they have been attending school for the past season.

Miss Blanche Ivy, of Manning, spent a few days here last week.

Miss Pearl Whittle will leave next Saturday for Saluda, S. C., to spend the summer with relatives.

We are glad to know that Mr. F. L. Collins, a man whom we know well has accepted a position as Superintendent of the prospective railroad for this place. Mr. Collins is a wide awake man and has never been known to make other than a success with the management of the work he is now doing. W.

STATEBURG.

Stateburg, June 22.—Several of our young people are attending the State Summer School at Winthrop College. Misses Lee Moore, Mayo Rees, Anna Burgess and Mr. H. D. Bull, are among our representatives at that institution.

A large and beautiful dance was given on Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Screven Moore, at their home, "The Oaks." Guests from Sumter, Wedgfield, Clarendon and other places added to the great pleasure of the occasion. The dance, viewed from every standpoint, was a most charming and successful one, and the participants did not reach their respective homes until Wednesday morning was several hours old.

Mrs. W. H. Barnwell, who has been visiting relatives in Columbia, has returned home.

Miss Mary Childs is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Anderson.

Mr. Henry V. Frierson is at home for a short stay.

Mr. Henry P. Moore, a Clemson student is at home for the summer vacation.

Farmers in this section are glad for a few sunny days, after the recent heavy and persistent rains, and are zealously combating the flourishing grass crop which caused no little worry during the last week or ten days.

DARK CORNER.

Dark Corner, June 23.—We have had a few sunny days in this Corner, and we poor old hoppers have commenced to hop quite lively—that is where we can hop. But part of our crop, or where we planted corn, is still under water. I have at least an acre and a half that is drowned out completely. But I say thanks be to God that it is no worse, for when we stop and think for a moment, how so many places have been visited by storms, hails, earthquakes and large fires, we ought to be ashamed if we grumble at what little rain has fallen. Small general and red from so much rain and on all the sand ridges the corn is yellow, even the grass looks sickly, of which we have a fine stand everywhere except in that bottom where that corn is drowned out.

Mr. Joe M. Ardis has a child that is sick.

Mr. W. J. Ardis and Miss Cammie

Nesbet dined with T. H. Osteen at the Sycamores last Sunday.

Ben Giddings and wife, of Pine-wood were on a visit to W. J. Ardis last Thursday evening.

Miss Mary Lee Ardis and brother John, were at W. J. Ardis' last Thursday night for a while.

R. P. Weeks and S. W. Scott are in your city today on business.

The Bethel and the Greenland Savannah Sunday schools are to have a joint picnic at Bethel Church (near Privateer) on the 4th of July.

Well, we ought to have a first class governor for the next two years, as we have eight to select from. But we are still hurrahing for Manning in this Corner. I think whoever gets the office will earn it by the time he gets around all over the State in this hot weather. But they think different from me, for I had rather plough than to be on the go from one place to another all the time as they are doing.

Well as it is thundering again and the yellow flies are annoying me, I will stop. But I don't know what good the yellow flies are annoying me. I will keep a poor sinner from sleeping too much in the day time these long summer days.

BOYKIN.

Boykin, S. C., June 23.—The farmers are tickled to death at this fine weather we are having and they are proceeding to murder the grass on every side, and with the exception of a few who have a little grass the crops are looking fine.

The Boykin Tennis Club met yesterday afternoon on the tennis grounds at Mr. Sam Boykin's. There was quite a large crowd out and we all enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Miss Elizabeth Lee Hydrick, daughter of Judge Hydrick, of Spratnburg, is spending a few days with Miss Nellie Lee Boykin.

Mr. W. English Hopkins, after spending several days in Columbia, has returned home.

Miss Sallie Hall, one of Boykin's most charming young ladies, is spending a while at the Isle of Palms.

Camden has just cause to be proud of her base ball team. We suggest that the citizens of Manning hold a meeting and turn off those "kids" they have for a team and get them men who can stand the pressure, especially before they try to play Camden again.

I see Camden has dropped from her one thousand average, just think, Sumter was the cause of it all.

Mr. L. W. Boykin, Jr., who is with the Atlanta National Bank of Atlanta, Ga., has returned to Atlanta after spending a week with his father, Mr. Sam Boykin.

Mrs. Frank Boykin and daughter, Miss Betsy Boykin, of Camden, are spending a few days with Mrs. J. T. Hay, Jr.

Mr. Douglass Boykin, who represents C. Wulbern & Co., of Charleston, was in town Friday.

We are glad to know that Mr. J. M. Green, who has been sick for the past week is much better.

LOUELLEN.

Louellen, June 25.—Walter Lenoir, Jr., is at home from the Military Academy in Charleston.

After five years of faithful service Professor Harold Langtry, to the great regret of the patrons of the Stateburg high school and his many friends, is leaving us to take a fine school in Richmond county.

The citizenship of Stateburg township met at High Hills Saturday, June 23, to consider increased taxation for the benefit of the schools. Nothing was done in that direction.

Mr. Ben Myers of Hagood, in the act of dismounting from his buggy yesterday, Sunday, sustained very serious injuries. He was between the wheels when his horse, taking fright, suddenly dashed off.

While returning home last night Mr. Robert J. Atkinson passed under what must have been a cyclone between W. S. Thompson's and R. J. Jolly's. He says it appeared to be a hundred feet in the air whirling around and moving at great speed, and with the sound of the crash of many cars coming together. While the wind was quite heavy here the rain was light.

My cotton is hurt badly; the report a safe one here. Fifty-five per cent. The corn is poor, too. Oats have been damaged badly in the sheaf. According to my way of thinking, those who have sold their cotton have made a mistake in more ways than one.

PISGAH.

Pisgah, June 25.—With a little booze on board Ervin Patterson shot John Holliday in the leg below the knee yesterday at Union Baptist church. The wound is not considered serious. Ervin walked off and is now considered quite a lion. All colored.

A severe wind storm passed over here last night, preceded by much electricity. No damage done.

The farmers have a time in trying to plow, owing to the wet land. Corn, especially, needs the finishing touches.

J. D., the little son of Mr. J. D. Evans, who has been sick so long with typhoid fever, is improving, and we are pleased to chronicle this.

PRIVATEER.

Privateer, June 25.—Mr. D. W. and Miss Mabel Osteen are quite sick. The recent heavy rains, small crops and an abundance of grass have the farmers wearing long faces.

Mr. Walter Roberts, of Atlanta, Ga., spent the past week at Mrs. L. B. Jenkins.

Miss Hennie May Bradford is attending the Summer school at Hartsville.

Mr. Robert Hall, of Sumter, is spending this week at Mrs. L. B. Jenkins.

Misses Callie and Corinne Wells spent Sunday in Paxville.

Mr. Jerry Anderson and family of Manassas, Ga., spent Saturday at Mr. E. W. Rivers'.

Miss Tallulah Ramsey spent the past week with relatives in Wedgfield.

The Bethel and Sand Hill Sunday schools are going to unite and have a picnic at Bethel church on the fourth.

Mr. F. S. Geddings and family, of Paxville, spent Saturday at Mr. E. W. Rivers'.

MAX.

Max, S. C., June 25.—After a few days' illness, Keith, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moore, died last Tuesday and was buried at Beulah Presbyterian church Wednesday. Rev. Mr. Trenholm conducted the funeral services.

Mrs. Marvin Moore is quite sick. Mrs. Mollie Moore is thought to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Truluck are the happy parents of a new daughter.

Messrs. George and John Truluck returned to their home from Clemson last week.

Professor F. W. Truluck has returned from Dayton, Va., where he has recently graduated in music.

The children's day at Beulah Presbyterian church Saturday was quite a success.

Miss Ellen Carraway returned last Thursday after spending quite a pleasant week with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Truluck, of Lynchburg.

Mr. Hoyt Tomlinson has returned home after spending some time in West Durham, N. C.

REMBERT.

Rembert, June 26.—Our farmers in this section are now experiencing very trying times owing to so much rain, but are using every effort in their power to save the crop. Already the corn and cotton are seriously damaged. We were just getting a little start in the past few days to do some plow work, but last night a heavy wind storm from the northwest, going south passed over here and the lands are too wet today to do any plow work. Corn is small, but in places look well, while cotton is also small and looks yellow and grassy and is badly damaged. Corn will average 75 per cent and cotton only 60 per cent. Some cotton lands here have not been plowed for three weeks and are so wet today that they will bog a horse down. Certainly this state of affairs seem discouraging, but let us be cheerful and should the rains cease we may pull through, but a full crop cannot possibly be made.

Most of the oat crop in this neighborhood is badly damaged as they were caught in all this rainy spell, and still a large portion of them is in the field. Mr. E. E. Rembert estimates his oat crop at 2,000 bushels and says if he can save half of them he will be satisfied.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Yates of Sumter are on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLeod.

Miss Abbie Hatfield is also on a visit to Mr. J. D. McLeod.

Mr. Harry McLeod is home from Wofford College.

Mrs. E. E. Rembert and family have rented a cottage on the Isle of Palms and will remain until the latter part of the summer.

The Gen. Sumter Memorial Celebration Called Off.

The following letter from Col. Dargan, gives the reason for calling off the proposed celebration of Carolina Day at the Gen. Sumter Memorial Academy:

Columbia, S. C., June 22. Mr. Hubert Osteen,

Editor Item, Sumter, S. C.

Dear Sir—I am just back from Winthrop College where I met the summer school of teachers.

Upon a thorough consideration of my proposition that the school join in the celebration on the 28th of June, it was decided that as my whole time is taken up here and will be for many weeks to come, that a celebration would be impossible this year; but, as the monument would be ready for unveiling next year, we would have a big celebration on June 28th, 1907. I am communicating with you and Capt. Hyde in Charleston by this mail to let you both know that the undertaking is called off for this year for the reasons I have given. I shall be kept hard at work here for many weeks yet.

Yours very truly,

J. J. Dargan.

The campaign meeting at Walterboro was slimly attended, only about 200 persons being present.

PLAYING A LONE HAND.

SENATOR TILLMAN'S PLAN TO CANVASS THE STATE.

Senator Tillman Has Made Only Two Engagements So Far—He Will Accept Invitations to Other Places.

Fellow Citizens: The primary system of the Democratic party in South Carolina is very largely my own work.

The canvass of the candidates from county to county seeking office, discussing issues and letting the people meet them face to face, is an essential and very valuable feature of our political machinery.

The daily papers have always opposed this programme because it broke up the old system under which the editors of those papers exercised immense power, and in a measure dictated our politics.

Unable to get the Constitution changed so as to do away with this State campaign, they have hit upon a device of rendering it inoperative and largely nugatory by giving very meagre, unimportant and often garbled accounts of the speeches.

The people being told that the candidates are saying nothing, do not turn out to the meetings, and this makes the plan a failure because the people do not see or hear the men who want their votes, and the newspapers accomplish their purpose of controlling our politics.

The meetings are rendered ridiculous by the short time given to any candidate in which to present his views and make known his qualifications.

The discussions, instead of being educative, enabling the voter to select the candidate whose personality and platform are most to his liking, are farces. No man can do himself or any important subject justice in the 10, 20 or 30 minutes time allotted to him under the plan now being carried out, and something must be done to change this condition or government by newspaper will come again to stay.

I have no quarrel with the newspapers of our State, but nothing ever broke up the old ring which governed the State prior to 1890 except the joint discussions between the candidates for governor, and nothing will restore the conditions of ring rule so easily and inevitably as to have such rules and regulations as are now being carried out.

Every candidate wants a hearing every county, but he does not get it, and the people are unwilling to lose the day, especially when they are busy in their farms, listening to the kinds of speeches that are being made and no other kind can be made under the circumstances.

There are about twenty-five candidates, leaving out those who have no opposition, and who, therefore, have no need to speak, and where a congressional candidate has opposition this number is increased.

I have something I want to say to the people of the State because I believe it is my duty to say it, but I am unwilling to join the present State campaign party, and be limited in my speeches as I must be. It would be unjust to the others were I not limited.

I, therefore, have decided that I will attend none of the State campaign meetings unless specially invited to do so by the executive committee and shall have all of the time I want.

Instead I give notice that after the 7th of July, when I will make my first speech at Sanday Flat, in Greenville county, I will be ready and am desirous of the opportunity to address the people at picnics or other public places, and that there has been a gathering to be held always in the open air at such time and place as may be desired that I shall speak to them.

Of course, I will reserve the right to select the counties in which I will accept invitations and will arrange to accommodate as many as possible in the month which I will devote to this work.

I have no objection and will welcome the presence of such other officials and candidates as my friends may see fit to invite.

A moment's reflection will show that the programme now being carried out of limited speeches would be altogether to my advantage, because Mr. Lumpkin could never make much of an impression in the limited time which he can obtain.

While he thinks candidates for the Senate should not discuss State issues, I think very differently and want to discuss them, but I can do no good and will waste a lot of valuable time, which I had rather devote to rest and recuperation after my hard winter's work than follow the campaign as it is being conducted.

Mr. Lumpkin will be at liberty to tell the people all about national issues that I do not know, while I will tell the people about State affairs and how they have been mismanaged and they ought to be reformed.

At this time I have only two arrangements in the State, one at Sandy Flat, in Greenville county, on July 7, and one at Elloree, in Orangeburg county, on July 14, the place where I made my second speech in the State. As soon as I have arranged a schedule of meetings I will announce the dates and places, and I shall hope to make the meetings thus arranged both instructive and satisfactory to those who may attend them.

I shall be obliged if all the weekly papers in the State will copy.

B. R. Tillman.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Items of Interest Condensed and Paraphrased for Quick Reading.

John P. Cooper has been elected mayor of Mullins.

Ila L. Wilson has been appointed postmaster at Reidville.

Adolphus Ingram, of Mullins, has been arrested in Portsmouth, Va., charged with bigamy.

The appropriation of \$96,000 for repairing the navy yard buildings at Port Royal has been knocked out of the naval appropriations bill by the house.

Frank C. Owens, a merchant of Greenville, has bought a \$70,000 piece of land on Peachtree road near Atlanta. He intends to make a residence park of it.

Col. J. Wash Watts, a distinguished citizen of the State, is critically ill at his home near Mountville in Laurens county. His advanced age makes his recovery somewhat doubtful.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Marion, June 22.—The State conference of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church has been holding its annual meeting here this week, it having convened Wednesday night. The closing service will be held Sunday evening.

About 150 delegates are in attendance, and are being entertained in the homes of the families of all the denominations in the town. The annual missionary sermon will be preached Sunday morning by Rev. E. O. Watson, presiding elder of the Marion district. The church is now without a pastor, the successor to the late pastor, Rev. J. A. Clifton, not yet having taken charge, but Presiding Elder Watson has met with the women at their daily services and has been very helpful throughout the meeting.

The Rev. J. H. Graves, a recent graduate of Vanderbilt university, has been appointed to succeed the late Mr. Clifton as station preacher of the Methodist church here, and it is expected that he will assume his duties within the next week or two.

Mr. Harry Lide, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lide of this city, was painfully hurt by a fall in Georgetown some weeks ago, and was soon after brought home. Since arriving in Marion, lung trouble has developed, and his family are alarmed at his condition, his physician is holding out the hope of his recovery.

That Double Pay.

The Record has no desire to do anybody an injustice. If convinced that it has done so, though unintentionally, it is always anxious and willing to make the proper apology. The Record gave publication to a report that all the members of the dispensary investigating committee except Mr. Cole L. Blease had taken pay both as committeemen and as legislators for days during the recent session of the general assembly when meetings were held both by that body and the committee. The Record attempted to verify that report before publishing it, but was met by a refusal of the chairman of the committee to answer proper and legitimate questions as to records of which he was the custodian.

The Record realized that because of the way in which the matter was first published, other members of the committee, who, as well as Mr. Blease, had not taken double pay, naturally felt a hesitancy about defending themselves, as to do so would seem to cast imputation upon the motives of those members who had seen fit to take double pay. So the Record put the question squarely to each member of the committee, as to whether he did or did not take double pay.

Mr. Gaston has replied flatly that he did not. So, adding Mr. Blease, there are two members who did not take double pay. While Mr. Fraser declined to answer the question, for reasons published in yesterday's Record, his home paper publicly and some of his friends privately to the Record reporter have entered a denial for him, which must be taken as true. The Record openly and publicly apologizes to Messrs. Gaston and Fraser and requests those papers which copied its article as to double pay to give circulation to the denial that they took double pay.

As to the others, Senator Hay, declined to answer the question presented to him in writing and in person. Mr. Lyon returned without answer or comment the letter of The Record requesting a statement from him. Messrs. Christensen and Spivey have not replied to the letters addressed to them on that subject. The public will draw its own conclusions as to these gentlemen.

The Record has not dropped this matter. It is determined to find out just which members did take double pay. Ducking and dodging will do no good. Sooner or later the facts have got to come out.—Columbia Record.

FOR SALE—5-horse farm, Rafting Creek township on Charleston road, opposite Mr. E. R. Alston's T. P. Sanders.

STATE BASEBALL LEAGUE.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LEAGUE.

	Won.	Lost	P.C.
Camden...	9	2	818
Orangeburg...	8 ¹ / ₂	2	800
Darlington...	5	5	500
Sumter...	5	5	500
Georgetown...	5	6	455
Manning...	0	12	000

At Orangeburg, June 19—Orangeburg... 230 000 00*—5; Georgetown... 000 000 000—0

At Camden, June 19—Camden... 000 000 100 001—2; Sumter... 000 000 012 010—4

At Camden, June 20—Camden... 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 *—3; Sumter... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—2

Orangeburg, June 20.—Orangeburg again defeated Georgetown this afternoon and incidentally made it a shut-out series, Georgetown having failed to find the plate during the three games.

At Manning, June 20—Darlington... 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 6 2—19; Manning... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2—2

At Sumter, June 21—Manning... 020 000 000—2; Sumter... 220 102 13*—12

At Darlington, June 21—Score: Darlington 2; Orangeburg 1.

At Georgetown, June 21—Score: Camden 5; Georgetown 0.

Georgetown, June 22.—Georgetown defeated Camden this afternoon by a score of 5 to 2.

Darlington, June 22.—In a ten-inning contest here this afternoon, Darlington lost the game to Orangeburg. Score 7 to 5.

At Manning, June 22—Sumter... 002 030 000—5; Manning... 010 000 010—2

At Manning, June 23—Manning... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2; Sumter... 3 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—5

At Darlington, June 23—Orangeburg 2; Darlington 1.

At Georgetown, June 23—Georgetown... 0 1 0 0 0 0 2—3; Camden... 4 0 0 0 2 1 0—7

At Sumter, June 25—Georgetown... 100 000 00*—1; Sumter... 000 000 000—0

At Orangeburg, June 25—Orangeburg... 040 050 00*—9; Manning... 000 000 001—1

At Camden, June 25—Camden... 011 210 0—5; Darlington... 001 020—3

CZAR WILL YIELD.

Reported That He is Ready to Give Way to Popular Clamor for a Ministry.

St. Petersburg, June 26.—A conference has been called at Peterhof tomorrow, between the Czar, government officials and the Emperor's advisers. It is believed the Czar is ready at least to yield to the clamor for a popular ministry and will ask Mourmounstseff, the president of the duma, to form a cabinet.

All members except the ministers of war and marine have been expelled from the assembly.

In the court of general sessions at Charleston, Wade Hampton Berry, the white man who was arrested in Columbia some time ago, was tried and acquitted of the charge of bigamy. His attorneys have moved for a new trial of the man of the charge of forgery on which he was recently convicted.

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